

JAPANESE AND FRENCH DISARMAMENT DELEGATIONS ARE LOCATED

those who have a vote—will come well under fifty in all, but there may be several thousand people here in a more or less official capacity. And I suppose everybody in this country, who is interested in world politics—and who has the price—will want to be here to keep a finger on the pulse of affairs while the conference makes Washington the hub of the universe.

APPARENTLY most of the foreign delegations are to be taken care of at the big hotels. Acting for his government, Prince de Bearn, charge d'affaires of France, has engaged enough apartments at the Willard to house the entire French contingent. And the Japanese government has taken an entire floor and part of another at the Shoreham for its representatives.

The British embassy has made no definite arrangements so far, although, as one of the secretaries told me yesterday, at one time or another they have been accused of leasing every imposing house in Washington. And the Italian embassy is marking time, waiting until something definite is known as to the size of the delegation and its personnel. The attaches of the Italian embassy, by the way, seem to be a bit cross at being kept in the dark, for they say they know they'll have everything to do in a rush at the last moment.

Arrangements for the care of the Japanese delegation were made by the Ambassador, Mr. Shidehara, and I rather suspect that Sadao Saburi, secretary of the embassy, had something to do with the decision to go to the Shoreham. He and his charming wife, who is a daughter of Marquis Okuma, lived at the Shoreham for a while—in fact, I believe they are there now—and found it most comfortable.

THE Japanese delegation is expected to be exceedingly active socially, for the Japanese are a generous and cordial people, and, moreover, one of the few nations not particularly hard hit by the war. They have a strong, patriotic feeling, which will inspire them to keep pace with the other big nations. The supposition that the Japanese will do a lot of entertaining is rather borne out by the fact that the embassy has leased the residence 2000 Massachusetts avenue for the period of the conference. It is to be used for offices to relieve the pressure on the chancery in N street, and probably for entertaining. The Ambassador, I understand, will continue to live at the big house in K street, which has been occupied by several of his predecessors.

It has been stated that the embassy has also taken Mrs. Howard Nyman's house, in Sixteenth street, for some of its nationals who are to be here at the time of the conference, but I am unable to verify that.

WITH the exception of Ellihu Root, none of the American delegates to the conference was bothered by the housing problem and Mr. and Mrs. Root have taken an apartment at 1302 Eighteenth street. Secretary Hughes, of course, has a house here and so have Senator Lodge and Senator Underwood. Senator Lodge lives at 1765 Massachusetts avenue. His son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. John Ellerton Lodge, are with him part of the time or if he is in need of a hostess he can call upon his daughter, Mrs. Augustus Gardner, his daughter-in-law, Mrs. George Cabot Lodge, or even charming Mrs. Constance Gardner Minot, the Senator's granddaughter. Senator and Mrs. Underwood have a wide, roomy comfortable old-fashioned house at 2000 G street, a section of town which, like certain portions of old New York, is enjoying a renewal of fashionable favor.

The newly created "conference division" of the State Department is now functioning merrily. John V. A. MacMurray, chief of the Far Eastern division, has been temporarily from that post to supervise the assembling of data for the American delegation. He is assisted by E. T. Williams and Stanley K. Hornbeck, both Far Eastern specialists. Physical arrangements for the conference are in charge of Basil Miles, formerly of Philadelphia. Walter S. Rogers, one of the American delegates at the 1920 International Communications Congress, has returned to the State Department for consultative work in connection with the conference. He probably is America's foremost expert on trans-Pacific cable and radio communications. Henry P. Fletcher, Under-Secretary of State, and Robert Wood Bliss, Third Assistant Secretary of State, are in general charge of conference affairs under the direction-in-chief of Secretary Hughes.

BRIDES to be, both of them. Miss Elizabeth Lambert (left) is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilton J. Lambert and her engagement to Charles S. Baker, Assistant United States Attorney for the District of Columbia, has been announced. Miss Elizabeth Walker is to wed John William Davis, a member of a prominent Virginia family. She is the daughter of Mrs. Nina Chinn Walker and a granddaughter of the late Rear Admiral John Grimes Walker, U. S. N.



MISS ANN CRAVEN TO WED NAVY MAN, JAMESTOWN NEWS

Announcement Made by Capt. and Mrs. Craven.

CAPTAIN THOMAS TINGEY CRAVEN, U. S. N., and Mrs. Craven announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Ann Wickes Craven, to Lieut. Rodman Drake de Kay. The news comes from Jamestown, R. I., where Mrs. Craven and her daughter have been passing the summer, and the engagement was first made known last evening at a dinner given at Green Gables, the Cravens' summer home.

Miss Craven made her debut last winter while her father was on duty here and had a very gay and successful season. She is a member of the Washington Junior League. Being a navy people, the Cravens move about a good deal, but we like to claim them here in Washington, and they have a summer home at Jamestown, to which they always come back. Mrs. Craven was Miss Antoinette Merritt, of Baltimore. Captain Craven, who was at the head of the navy air service when he was here last year, has recently been ordered to take command of a squadron of destroyers, with a base at Charleston, S. C. Mrs. Craven and Miss Craven will join him there later on. Lieutenant de Kay comes of a prominent New York family, and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles de Kay, of New York and East Hampton, L. I. During the war he was attached to one of the destroyers on duty at Plymouth, England. He is at present on duty aboard the U. S. S. Goff. So far no definite plans have been made for the wedding. Miss Craven celebrated her eighteenth birthday a few weeks ago.

J. D. Kuser's Book On Haiti Now on Sale

THE NEWS that J. Dryden Kuser has published a little volume called "Haiti" is of unusual interest here, for young Mr. Kuser is "well and favorably known" in Washington and moreover, he married an exceedingly popular Washington girl, Miss Brooke Russell. She is the daughter of Col. John H. Russell, of the marine corps, and Mrs. Russell, and it was while visiting the Russells at Port au Prince that Mr. Kuser got together the material for his book. He is a grandson of former Senator Dryden, of New Jersey.

Mr. Kuser's slender volume, while it pretends to no profundity and aims merely to present the casual impressions of the traveler, has assembled a good many data that are well worthy of being put in evidence when Americans attempt a balanced estimate of the black republic. Mr. Kuser is thoroughly friendly, yet never fulsome; he is sympathetic without sentimentalizing.

Reception to Mark Silver Wedding Day

MR. AND MRS. EUGENE E. STEVENS will be at home informally on Thursday, September 22, from 8:30 to 11 o'clock, to celebrate the twenty-fifth anniversary of their wedding. Mr. and Mrs. Stevens have a charming house at 104 East Thornapple street, Chevy Chase, Md.

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Armats Return Home. Other Summer Sojourners Scattered.

THE pleasant little colony of Washingtonians—or former Washingtonians—who foregathered at Edgartown, Martha's Vineyard, Mass., for the summer months, has now broken up. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Armat, who had a cottage there, have returned to their apartment at 1870 Wyoming avenue. They motored home and reached here the first of last week. The Wilbys—Col. and Mrs. Francis B. Wilby—also had a cottage at Edgartown. Colonel Wilby has now gone to Fort Leavenworth, Kans., where he has been detailed to duty, and Mrs. Wilby is at Flushing, L. I., visiting her father and mother, Brig. Gen. and Mrs. William C. Langfitt.

About October 1, Mrs. Wilby and Mrs. Lewis Hayes Watkins, who was Miss Ruth Bliss, a Washington girl, will start for Leavenworth together. The Watkinses have been stationed at the Kansas post for some time, but came East on leave early in the summer. They spent some weeks at Beausport, near Quebec, with Mrs. Watkins' mother, Mrs. George Bliss, and then went to Edgartown to visit the Armats and the Wilbys and afterward to pass several weeks at a hotel. Mrs. Watkins is now visiting in Ellsabeth, N. J.



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HAS MISS WILSON PURCHASED HOME IN NEW YORK?

News "Interesting if True," but Friends Here Think Story a Mistake.

THE story that Miss Margaret Wilson, daughter of former President Woodrow Wilson, has purchased the old Stuyvesant Fish house in New York, which was printed a week or so ago, was received with great interest in Washington, where Miss Wilson has many friends. It was most circumstantial and had all the earmarks of being authentic. But friends of Miss Wilson, who saw her only a week or two ago, tell me that they don't believe it is true. She said nothing to them about having been won over by the "own your own home" slogan and, moreover, she confessed that like the rest of the world she was feeling the high cost of living.

And, of course, a house like the Stuyvesant Fish house would run into real money. It is a four-story and basement dwelling, at 208 East Fifteenth street, opposite historic Stuyvesant Park. This is one of the pleasantest and most desirable sections of New York, for the advancing tide of business has flowed round it and the quarter retains all the picturesque charm of an older day. The little park, as perhaps you know, belongs to the people who own the house round about it instead of to the municipality. Each householder has his—or her—key, and they are almost jealous of their prerogatives and resentful of intrusion.

Miss Wilson, I'm told, looks better than ever before. She has recently taken a course of treatment at a sanatorium in Chicago and has taken off thirty pounds and ten years. She looks about eighteen, I hear, and is full of life and enthusiasm for her work. Her voice is stronger and better than ever before and we'll probably hear of a series of concerts before next winter is over.

Women's City Club Has Interesting Card

THE activities of the Women's City Club are increasing daily now that autumn is upon us. The usual monthly forum luncheon will be held next Saturday at 1 o'clock and Mrs. Willbrand, the new Assistant Attorney General, will be the guest of honor and principal speaker. Her subject promises to be interesting and entertaining. Only a limited number of guests can be accommodated, so reservations should be made at once.

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SOCIETY WOMEN DECIDE TO OPEN SHOP THIS MONTH IN RHODE ISLAND AVENUE

New Establishment on Site of the Dewey Home Will Make Bid for Public Patronage of Capital City.

THE day has gone by when a society woman creates a flutter of excitement by going into business. But every once in a while a new firm is launched whose career everyone watches with interest—witness, for instance, "Francine," at 1747 Rhode Island avenue. "Mrs. Joseph Leiter's shop" everybody calls this new establishment, although Mrs. Leiter is a silent partner, and the actual direction is in the hands of Mrs. Ormsby McCammon and Mrs. Charles O'Donnell Lee, two young women who have been prominent in society in Washington all their lives, assisted by an all-society staff.

The doors of the new shop will be open to the public next Thursday, but I understand there is to be a formal opening on Tuesday, September 27. On this occasion Mrs. Leiter will be on hand to receive her friends and patrons. There will also be music, flowers and tea in celebration of the event.

GOWNS will be on sale and possibly hats, but I'm not sure about that. And the shop will specialize in misses' and children's clothes. Mrs. Lee, a widow with four small children of her own, who has had two years' business experience in designing children's clothes, will be in charge of the children's department. She was formerly Miss Annie McCauley, and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward B. McCauley.

The chief saleswoman on the ground floor is to be Mrs. Ormsby McCammon, the former Miss Estelle Murray, of Philadelphia, whose husband is a son of the late Judge McCammon, a leader of the District of Columbia bar.

Mrs. Charles Hume, who was Miss Cox, a member of one of the oldest District of Columbia families, is also a member of the new firm, which is to be operated under a French name.

The business is located on the site of the house which a grateful nation presented to the late Ad-

SARA LOUISE SHARP WEDS BALTIMOREAN AT HOME OF UNCLE

Bride of Yesterday a Niece of Late Captain Sharp.

THE marriage of Miss Sara Louise Sharp and Dr. Charles H. Hablston, of Baltimore, Md., was quietly solemnized yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the home of the bride's uncle and aunt, Col. and Mrs. John B. Bennett. Only members of the two families and a few close friends were present at the ceremony, which was performed by the Rev. Edward L. Dunlop, assistant rector of St. John's Church, and soon afterward Dr. Hablston and his bride slipped away for a short honeymoon.

A petite and charming blonde, Miss Sharp was lovely in a dainty gown of white georgette crepe, and wore a tulle veil caught with orange blossoms.

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